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SUBJECT: CLIFFORD MISSION: ARRIVAL STATEMENT

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ARRIVAL STATEMENT BY CLARK M. CLIFFORD AT
ESENBOGA (ESS-ENN-BO-AH) AIRPORT, ANKARA SUN 20 FEB.

STATEMENT BY TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER IHSAN SABRI CAGLAYANGIL
WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL.

(BEGIN TEXT)

FIRST, I WISH TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER FOR
HIS COURTESY IN COMING TO THE AIRPORT TO MEET ME. I AM HAPPY
TO BE IN TURKEY AND TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY IN THE NEXT FEW
DAYS TO HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING WITH YOUR PRESIDENT, THE
PRIME MINISTER AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT.
I TAKE A UNIQUE PERSONAL PLEASURE IN BEING HERE, BECAUSE I HAD
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THE PRIVILEGE SOME THIRTY YEARS AGO OF WORKING WITH PRESIDENT
TRUMAN IN THE FORMULATION OF WHAT HAS BECOME KNOWN AS THE TRUMAN
DOCTRINE. THAT WAS THE START OF THE PRESENT RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND TURKEY THAT HAS EXISTED ON AN
EXTREMELY FRIENDLY BASIS FOR THIS LAST LONG PERIOD OF 30 YEARS.
IN ADDITION TO THAT FACTOR, I ALSO TAKE PRIDE IN REMEMBERING
THE BRAVERY OF THE TURKISH TROOPS WHO FOUGHT SIDE BY SIDE WITH

OUR AMERICAN TROOPS IN KOREA.
FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME THE UNITED STATES HAS MAINTAINED A
VITAL INTEREST IN NATO. WE HAVE LOOKED UPON TURKEY AS ONE
OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENTS IN THE NATO LINE OF DEFENSE, WHICH
HAS CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH TO PEACE IN THIS LAST GENERATION. IT
HAS MEANT A GREAT DEAL TO US TO HAVE THIS BASTION OF DEMOCRACY,
TURKEY, AT THE SOUTHERN LINE OF THE NATO DEFENSE AREA.
THE IMPORTANCE THAT OUR NEW PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT CARTER,
ATTACHES TO THIS VISIT IS DEMONSTRATED BY THE FACT THAT
WITHIN THE FIRST MONTH OF HIS PRESIDENCY HE HAS SENT A
PERSONAL EMISSARY TO TURKEY. HE HAS ASKED THAT MY ASSOCIATES AND
I CONFER IN SOME DETAIL WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, PARTI-
CULARLY WITH REFERENCE TO DEFENSE AGREEMENTS, THAT ARE SO
IMPORTANT TO THE CONTINUED RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO
COUNTRIES.

IT IS MY HOPE, AND THAT EXPRESSED BY PRESIDENT CARTER, THAT
THIS VISIT WILL DEEPEN AND BROADEN AND MAKE EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT
THE LONG AND HAPPY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND TURKEY.
BECAUSE IT IS THE VERY BEGINNING OF OUR MISSION, IT SEEMS AS
THOUGH IT IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE TIME FOR ME TO TAKE QUESTIONS.
IT IS MY HOPE THAT BEFORE I LEAVE THE SCHEDULE WILL PERMIT
ME TO MEET WITH THE PRESS AGAIN, AT WHICH TIME I CAN TAKE YOUR
QUESTIONS. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
(END CLIFFORD TEXT)
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